

Appl. No. 10/024,668
Amendment and/or Response
Reply to Office action of 15 August 2005

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REMARKS/DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

By this Amendment, Applicant cancels Claims 10-16 without prejudice.
Accordingly, claims 1-9 and 17-25 are pending in the application.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to state whether the drawings are acceptable.

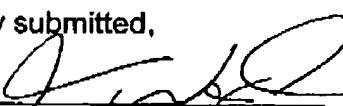
Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Applicant notes with appreciation the indication that Claims 1-9 and 17-25 are allowed. Applicant has cancelled claims 10-16 to moot the Office Action's § 102(e) and § 103(a) rejections and respectfully believes the claims to be in condition for allowance at this time.

Applicant also believes the cancellation of Claims 10-16 and the renders the 35 USC § 102 and § 103 rejections moot and respectfully requests its withdrawal.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully request favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application. Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached by telephone at the number given below. Please charge any additional fees which may now or in the future be required in this application, including extension of time fees and fees for claims added upon amendment, but excluding the issue fee unless explicitly requested to do so, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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